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Sinking Fund Account..... 128,290  
£23,979,387  
Revenue Fire Branch..... £2,381,456  
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Revenue Marine Department..... 337,239  
Other Receipts..... 478,940  
£5,339,228  
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10. P.M. "FATSHAN" 5. P.M. "KINSHAN"  
Single Fare by Night Steamer ..... \$ 6.00  
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**EXCURSION TO MACAO.**  
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The Company's Steamer "TAISHAN" will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 A.M. and return from Macao at 3 P.M.  
N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M., and from Hongkong at 1 P.M., from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, on SATURDAY the 20th May, 1916, at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 29th February, 1916, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th May to the 20th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
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Hongkong, May 2, 1916. 695

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD.

REDUCTION IN PRICE

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Hongkong, May 1, 1916. 696

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTEENTH YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, at 11.30 a.m. on MONDAY the 22nd May, 1916, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1915, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 2nd May to the 22nd May, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.  
W. G. Dury,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 3, 1916. 613

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES, 1911 AND 1913.

AND  
In the Matter of THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in pursuance of Section 188 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 that the FINAL WINDING-UP MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Office of the Liquidators, St. George's Buildings, (Chater Road), in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, 22nd May 1916, at Noon, for the purpose of having the account of the Liquidators showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the Property of the Company disposed of, and before such meeting and hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators.

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## INTIMATIONS

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MONDAY, May 15th  
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Hongkong, May 3, 1916. 610

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

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Chater Road,  
C. PEMBERTON,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 8, 1916. 637

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, May 8, 1916. 634

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This Local Rule applies only to Early Morning Golf, and has been introduced to avoid annoyance to riders and ponies on the track.

Players are requested to keep their caddies off the rails when ponies are passing.

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By Order of  
THE COMMITTEE.

Hongkong, April 11, 1916. 523

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"CAPSTAN"  
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TOBACCO &  
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## COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. was held at the Company's Office No. 3 Queen's Buildings, yesterday.

Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman) presided, and there were also present—Messrs J. W. C. Bonnar, J. A. Plummer, and W. L. Patterson (Directors), Mr. C. Pemberton (Secretary), Messrs G. H. P. Hay, S. W. Bacon, G. S. Archibald, J. Gardner, W. L. dos Remedios, A. F. de S. Alves, M. A. R. Souza, J. C. d'Almeida, V. R. V. Ribeiro, and B. M. C. da Cunha (shareholders).

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, as you are aware, the sole purpose of this meeting is to confirm the resolution passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on 27th April, 1916. I will now move a special resolution that the resolution as read by the Secretary be confirmed. The resolution is, as follows:

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following—

(1) That the words "The Secretary" at the head of Article 108 be altered to read "The General Manager" and that in these Articles (Nos. 108 to 108 inclusive) and the marginal notes thereto the word "Secretary" be replaced by the word "General Manager" and that in lieu thereof the words "General Manager" be inserted.

(2) That in the following Articles of the Company's Articles of Association, viz. Articles Nos. 2, 10, 38, 50, 53, 103, 104, 123, 125, 133, and the marginal notes thereto, the word "Secretary" where it occurs be deleted and the word "General Manager" be inserted.

(3) That in Article No. 17 of the Company's Articles of Association the words "in Hongkong" shall be transposed so as to follow, instead of precede, the words "an address".

(4) That in Article No. 41 in lieu of the words "fourteen days" the words "ten days" shall be inserted.

(5) That in Sec. (b) of Article No. 49 of the Company's Articles of Association the words "for fourteen days after such deposit" shall be struck out.

(6) That in Article No. 74 of the Company's Articles of Association after the words "any address on the Shareholders Register shall not be in" the words "who may be absent from" shall be inserted.

(7) That in Article No. 75 of the Company's Articles of Association the word "not more than seven" be deleted.

(8) That after Article No. 108 the following new Article be inserted as Article No. 108A:—

"The General Manager shall be appointed and may be removed by the Board and he shall in all matters be subject to its orders and directions, and shall be paid such salary as the Board may from time to time determine. The Board may at any time appoint any person or persons for any or an indefinite period to perform all or any of the duties and to exercise all or any of the powers of the General Manager, either in his absence or otherwise, and may from time to time cancel such appointment or appointments and make another or others such appointments or appointments in lieu thereof, as the Board may see fit."

(9) That Article No. 131 of the Company's Articles of Association be amended so that the following Article be substituted for the same, viz.:

"All Notices or other documents to be given or served by the Company to or upon the Shareholders may be given or served by the Board either by advertisement in the Press or by notice sent by post, or by notice sent by registered address of every Shareholder, or, if the Board thinks fit, both by advertisement and by notice as aforesaid."

Mr. BONNAR seconded, and the resolution was unanimously agreed to.

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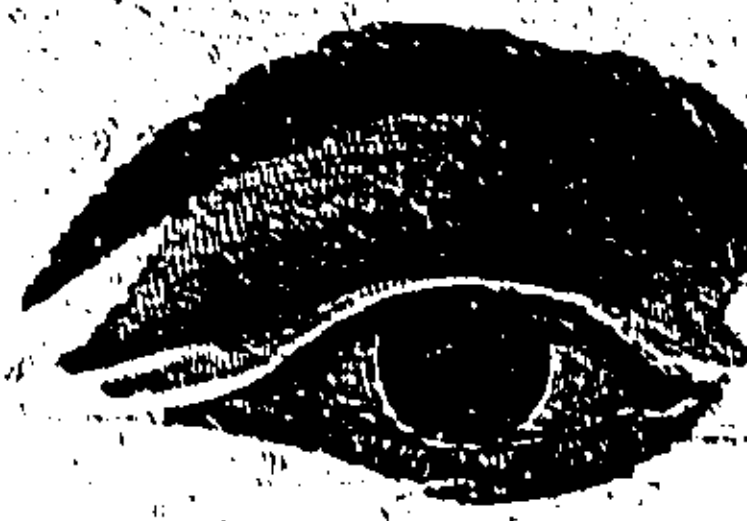
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## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

## THE "SUSSEX" OUTRAGE.

## SUBMARINE COMMANDER REPORTED TO BE PROMOTED.

WASHINGTON, May 12. Mr. Lansing, in an interview, said the United States Government would ask Germany and Austria the nature of the punishment meted out to the commanders of the submarines which torpedoed the *Sussex*, *Anona*, and *Arcturion*.

PARIS, May 12. It is declared that the commander of the German submarine which torpedoed the *Sussex* has been promoted.

This is doubtless the reason for the American inquiry regarding the nature of the punishment.

## DUTCH WITHOUT CONFIDENCE IN GERMAN ASSURANCES.

AMSTERDAM, May 12. The Dutch lines, despite the German submarine assurances, have resumed the circuitous route north of Scotland.

## MARINE WAR RISKS.

## ALL ROUND DECLINE IN PRICES IMMINENT.

LONDON, May 12. Lloyd's has decided on a certain reduction, approximately 10 per cent, on premiums for war risks. It is generally believed in the market that an all round decline is imminent.

Although recent losses have been heavy, the majority of underwriters have a balance on the favourable side. The submarine menace does not appear to be more grave than it was in 1915.

## THE REICHSTAG AND LIEBNECHT.

AMSTERDAM, May 12. The Reichstag by 229 votes against 111 decided not to release Herr Liebenecht, the Socialist leader, who was arrested on the occasion of the May Day Peace demonstrations.

## AN AIR MINISTRY.

LONDON, May 12. The "Daily Telegraph" states that the Government has decided to create an Air Ministry under the control of Lord Curzon.

## LORD STANLEY WOUNDED.

LONDON, May 12. Lord Stanley has been slightly wounded.

[Lord Stanley is the heir of the Earl of Derby.]

## LANCASHIRE LABOUR TROUBLES.

## A STRIKE DECIDED ON.

LONDON, May 12. The ballot of the Lancashire card-room operatives showed 98 per cent to be in favour of a strike.

The Executive tenders notices immediately.

## INDIAN SELF-GOVERNMENT QUESTION.

LONDON, May 12. A conference of members of the House of Commons, presided over by Sir Herbert Roberts, on Wednesday, considered the demand for a fuller measure of self-government for India.

Sir W. Wedderburn, and Sir Krishna Gupta spoke, and it was agreed that the distinguished loyalty of India merited full recognition by the Government and the British people.

## THE SHACKLETON RELIEF EXPEDITION.

LONDON, May 12. Sir Douglas Mawson has arrived to confer with the committee organising the Shackleton Relief Expedition.

(Havas Service.)

## ACTIVITY NEAR SALONIKA.

SALONIKA, May 11. We dislodged the Germans occupying Hayadak.

## IRISH ADMINISTRATION.

## HOUSE OF LORDS RECORDS ITS PROFOUND DISSATISFACTION.

LONDON, May 12. The House of Lords has adopted a motion by Lord Loughborough recording its profound dissatisfaction with the administration of affairs in Ireland.

## MR. ASQUITH GOES TO IRELAND.

Mr. Asquith left for Dublin last night. He is expected to return in the beginning of the week.

The step taken by the Premier is compared with his assumption of the War Office portfolio when Colonel Seely resigned. It is hailed by the Ministerial Press as an act of courageous self-sacrificing initiative which should be attended with good results.

## THE POSSIBILITY OF A HOME RULE COMPROMISE.

It is stated that the Nationalists, though not consulted, believe Mr. Asquith intends sounding Irish opinion on the possibility of a Home Rule compromise.

## A "CLEAN SWEEP" DEMANDS.

The Unionist Press is less optimistic. *The Times*, which says that Mr. Asquith is forsaking his proper functions in time of war for a special expedition, declares that those hoping for a permanent settlement of the Irish Question are likely to be disappointed. The Government will have achieved much if it succeeds in establishing a strong Executive. It demands a clean sweep of the present Irish administration.

## THE LORD LIEUTENANT.

It is stated that a Lord Lieutenant of Ireland will not be appointed till Lord Hardinge's Commission has reported.

## MUTINY ON DUTCH BATTLESHIPS AT JAVA.

AMSTERDAM, May 12. A mutiny on three Dutch battleships at Java is reported.

Sixty of the men of the *Zeevenigheids* have been punished.

Three hundred deserters refused to return. They remained in the streets which are patrolled by soldiers.

## A MEXICAN BORDER RAID.

## AMERICAN CAVALRY IN PURSUIT OF RAIDERS.

EL PASO, May 12. Two troops of American cavalry have crossed the Mexican border in pursuit of the Mexicans who recently raided (Hessings).

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE VERDUN REGION.

## PRISONERS AND GUNS CAPTURED.

PARIS, May 11. A communiqué states: Left of the Meuse, after a violent bombardment, the Germans strongly attacked in the vicinity of Hill 287. They were completely repulsed, leaving prisoners.

A minor French attack on the slopes west of Mort Homme captured a portion of German trench, taking 600 prisoners and two maxims.

## THE BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, May 11. A British communiqué reports: There has been mining activity at Encrent, Souchez and Conchy; but the situation is unchanged. Reciprocal artillery activity prevails at Maricourt, Souchez, Pieptin and St. Eloi. Our artillery bombarded the enemy positions at Boiselle and south of Mesines.

## ENEMY TRANSPORT WITH WAR MATERIAL SUNK.

ROME, May 11. A French submarine sank an enemy transport, laden with war material, in the Lower Adriatic.

## RUSSIAN PROGRESS TOWARDS BAGDAD.

## CAPTURE OF KASHIRSHIRIN.

PETROGRAD, May 11. The Russians have occupied Kashirshir, in the direction of Bagdad, where they captured Turkish reserve munitions and provisions. They pursued the enemy, and captured three guns.

## ENEMY BASES IN NORTH AFRICA OCCUPIED BY ITALIANS.

ROME, May 11. The Italians have occupied Marsa Morea and Marsa Burti, on the Sicilian coast of Cyrenaica, the Egyptian frontier. Both were centres of supply for hostile submarines, and for the dispatch of contraband into the interior.

## THE TORPEDOING OF THE "CYMBRIC."

## GALLANTRY OF CAPTAIN AND WIRELESS OPERATOR.

LONDON, May 11. The survivors of the *Cymbic* emphasise that the German submarine commander broke all the rules of warfare, even those which Germany herself laid down. The survivors were left in a rough sea in open boats, almost without prospect of rescue.

A most gallant deed was performed by the Captain and the wireless operator, who returned to the sinking liner, despatched a message for help and awaited an answer. They were in the utmost danger throughout.

## THE "SUSSEX" OUTRAGE.

## CROSS-CANAL BOAT MISTAKEN FOR A WARSHIP.

WASHINGTON, May 10. Mr. Gerard, American Ambassador at Berlin, has notified the German Government that a fresh German Note is about to be sent, intimating that the Commander of the German submarine which torpedoed the *Sussex* has been punished, and offering reparation.

The German Note regarding the *Sussex* declares that the submarine commander acted in the bona-fide belief that he was facing a warship when he torpedoed the *Sussex*; nevertheless he formed his judgment too hastily, and did not act in strict accordance with instructions. Therefore, the Note admits frankly, the assurances given to the United States had not been adhered to in this instance.

The Note expresses sincere regret at the deplorable accident, and says that the Commander will be appropriately punished. It offers indemnity to the injured Americans.

## THE RECENT REVOLT IN IRELAND.

## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY.

LONDON, May 10. In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that the Commission of Enquiry into the outbreak in Ireland would consist of Lord Hardinge of Penshurst, (Chairman), Mr. Justice Shearman and Sir McKenna. It would inquire into the causes of the outbreak, and the conduct and degree of responsibility of the civil and military authorities.

Mr. Redmond regretted that the investigation would not have a wider scope.

## JOURNALISTS SHOT WITHOUT TRIAL.

Mr. Asquith referred to the case of a journalist named Skeffington, who is alleged to have been shot in Dublin without trial. Mr. Asquith said that the matter was being investigated. The officer concerned had been arrested, and would be court-martialed. It was apparently the act of an irresponsible officer. He added, regarding the alleged cases of two other journalists at the same time, that the same procedure would be pursued. He emphasised that the military authorities had neither responsibility nor knowledge of these occurrences.

## LORD WINBORNE RESIGNS.

Lord Wimborne, the Viceroy, has resigned.

## WAR NEWS AHEAD OF THE MAIL.

[CABLES TO INDIA.]

## A GERMAN BOAST.

AMSTERDAM, April 10.—The "Cologne Gazette," in a semi-official article, declares that as the Allies are wholly unwilling to consider Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg's peace terms seriously, Germany has now only to make peace on her own terms. If the Allies do not abandon their plan to destroy Germany then the latter will fight to the end.

## THE RUSSIAN OPERATIONS.

LONDON, April 15.—The "Daily Telegraph's" Petrograd correspondent says: In the region of Riga and Dvinsk the weather is warm and sunny. The Divina is quite clear of ice. The Pripiet marshes are however, at their worst.

## ITALIAN AERIAL SUPERIORITY.

LONDON, April 15.—The Austrians on the Italian front are handicapped by Italy's superiority in the air. A wonderful invention makes the fire of the Italian anti-aircraft guns practically unerring. Austria has lost ten machines in a fortnight.

## RUMANIA'S ATTITUDE.

LONDON, April 15.—The "Daily News" Rumania correspondent contrasts the Tanton optimism touching Rumania with the fact that the Hungarians in Transylvania have been considerably reinforced.

## THE FALL OF TREBIZOND.

LONDON, April 20.—The "Koenigsberg Zeitung" says that the loss of Trebizond, however painful, is not decisive. It will only be so if the Russians are able to continue their advance westward of

Eretria and defeat Turkey's main army and occupy Erzerum. According to most writers here and in Petrograd that is just what is to be expected from the fall of Trebizond.

## TURKISH FORCES IN ARMENIA.

LODNON, April 22.—The "Telegraph's" Petrograd correspondent states the Staff believe the Turks to be less than one Army Corps in Trebizond district, 31 Corps between Baiduz and Erzerum and 11 between Baiduz and Mush.

## HEAVY GERMAN LOSSES.

LODNON, April 22.—The newspapers publish from perfectly trustworthy sources evidence of the squandering of German effective at Verdun. The 11th Bavarian Division from Serbia was used and withdrawn. The 22nd Reserve Corps from Serbia was employed earlier than originally intended, after being held in reserve northward of the 68th. Two Divisions were brought to Voivre from Russia, where they were very few Corps do at full strength. Demands were also made on various Divisions which had been left in Macedonia to ensure the fidelity of the Bulgars.

## HOW LONG WILL TURKEY CARRY ON?

LONDON, April 21.—The "New York World's" special correspondent, quoting a diplomatist recently in Constantinople, says the Turks appear to be unable to withstand misery and starvation beyond another four months. Half-a-million refugees from Armenia, Bithynia, and Trebizond have brought destitution and disease. Siva's Angora Army is barely 400,000 on the Bagdad front and 60,000 in Syria. 40,000 between the Dardanelles and Alexandria will protect the coasts. The remainder will concentrate on Siva's Kharputa line where the fortifications designed by Von Sanders are being completed. Thousands of German technicians are aiding the Turks. The Germans are daily sending Artillery and munitions to Siva's front.

## ENEMY FORCES IN THE WEST.

LONDON, April 22.—A military writer of the Paris "Journal" puts the enemy between the sea and the Somme, at 500,000 consisting of the Fourth, Sixth and Second Armies. The Fourth is greatly reduced. The "Times" Military correspondent recently estimated these forces at 800,000.

## GORIZ: HEART OF ITALIAN WAR.

LONDON, April 22.—A special correspondent at the Italian front writes to the "Morning Post," describing Goriz to be the heart of the Italian War and the main objective of the Italians, who are fighting heroically from Switzerland to the Adriatic. 200,000 picked Hungarian soldiers, with the boldest and cleverest of the Austrian officers, Austria's newest and most powerful artillery and the greatest quantity of ammunition, are concentrated to defend the only door by which it is possible for Italy to invade Austria. Merely sentimental interest attaches to the town of Goriz, but it has given the name to an important strategic system, extending from the Adriatic to Conadole Pizzo. The town might have been captured, but the mountainous defences on the banks and at the rear render it a death-trap. Austrian guns are hidden in deep granite caverns, impregnable by the heaviest shell. Nevertheless the Italians are slowly weakening the position and have planted their trenches so close to the enemy's that the Austrian batteries are paralysed. The Italian Artillery has accomplished miracles and proved itself to be the product of a superior school. Very shortly the task will be heroically carried out and winter will bring forth its result.

## GERMAN INHUMANITY IN A TYPHUS CAMP.

LONDON, April 10.—The following additional details have been made public in connection with the treatment of prisoners in the German camp at Wittenburg:—

Some of the conditions described in the report are backed by the most authoritative testimony. Major Priestley mentions that once he attempted to brush dust from a patient's clothes but the "dust" proved to be a moving mass of vermin. Other incidents are even more appalling. The report shows that Major Priestley and others set to work with admirable powers of organisation they evolved order out of chaos. They collected the British patients in one bungalow and reserved the best food, clothing, and bedding obtainable for the sick. They gradually overcame the epidemic, the arrival of the warmer weather of April greatly facilitating the sufferers' recovery. It was only then that the Germans began to assist. They erected a steriliser, but the work was not pressed on, and it was only finished a fortnight after the last British case had been finally cured. The Germans also built a hospital-bungalow, but the epidemic was over before it was completed.

It is impossible to allege that there was a general shortage of medical supplies in Germany, as the English doctors' own abundance of supplies in the town of Wittenburg. Yet the plague-stricken camp was starved for months of the simplest necessities of existence and the simplest drugs. It was not even provided with surgical dressings, and, above all, the British suffered from being the victims of special hostility from the beginning. It was outrageous that the Germans decorated Dr. Aschenbach, in view of his neglect of the sufferers for which he must answer one day.

The report pays the warmest tributes to the work of the British doctors and orderlies, all of whom laboured unsparingly. They were fully conscious of the dangers, but risked their lives without a thought. Many laid down their lives for their comrades as much as if they were fighting on the battlefield. The committee expressed the hope that this devotion would be remembered at the proper time.

## COMMERCIAL.

## HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, in their weekly share report, dated the 12th inst. state:—

Since the date of our last report the market has steadied somewhat, but although rates all round are firmer the resultant business again continues on a small scale.

Exchange has undergone two very violent fluctuations during the week, but as the tendency is generally believed to be still upwards it is to be feared that Hongkong will be further deluged with ready cash, resulting in a further weakening of the investment stocks.

The political situation in China shows no improvement, in fact it seems to be more involved than ever, the unexpected continually happening with the utmost rapidity.

Shanghai remains at a standstill with little or no business passing with that centre.

In Shipping circles business is easier, and the situation has been further aggravated by a strike in Shanghai which has now lasted practically a week, but at the moment of going to press there are rumours that an early settlement may be looked for. It is sincerely to be hoped that this most unfortunate and ill-timed strike will be settled forthwith in the interest of all concerned.

The market for Rubber stocks remains dormant, and the quotation for the raw material is wired from London at 3s. 1d. per lb.

Banks.—Hongkong Banks, following on the slightly easier feeling in Exchange in the middle of the week, have firmed up to a buying quotation of 7700.

Marine Insurances.—Unions are offering at 800, and probably lower figures would be accepted; Canons at 400; and North China at 175. Yangtzes could probably be placed at 325.

Fire Insurances.—China Fires are wanted at 1156 and Hongkong Fires have sellers at 830.

Shipping.—Douglases are offering at 1125. Preferred Indes have come to business at 816 and Liverpool Indes are in small demand at 1113. Star Ferries could probably be placed at 385 and Steamboats at 322. Waterboats are offering at 815.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been further marked down to a selling rate of 1100 with small business done at that rate for the end of the month. Luzons seek buyers at 831.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats have changed hands at 2s. 203 and ease with buyers at 11s. 27. Refills are offering at 2200. Trams at 350 and Tronols at 400. Shells have been the medium of a small business at 968. 6d.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves are in steady demand at 5703. Hongkong Docks have sellers at 8116 and Shanghai Docks are nominal at 75. Hongkong Wharves at 11s. 90 and New Engineerings at 11s. 103 are unaltered from last week.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Following the high rates of exchange the various countries in this country are weak. Central Estates at 808. Hongkong Lands at 8101. Hongkong Hotels at 8123. Humphreys Estates at 87. West Points at 888 and Kowloon Lands at 328 are all on the market at quotations with little or no business passing.

Cottons.—Eves could be placed at 11s. 130. Shanghai Cottons are in fairly steady demand at 11s. 83. Kung Yiks are offering at 11s. 12 and Yangtzes are a quiet market at 11s. 5.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Electric have come to business at 847 at which further business could probably be done. Hongkong Trams have buyers at 86.30 after a fairly large business at the rate. China Lights are wanted at 84.30.

Miscellaneous.—China Borneo continues to offer at 810 and China Providents have again been done at 89.10. Watsons at 87.10 and Dairy Farms at 834 are offering. Peak Trams (old) at 810.20 and (new) at 85 cents could be placed at quotations. Ropes have buyers at 834 and Cement at 84.

Exchange.—The demand rate on London is 2-2 1/4 and the T. T. selling rate on Shanghai is 703.

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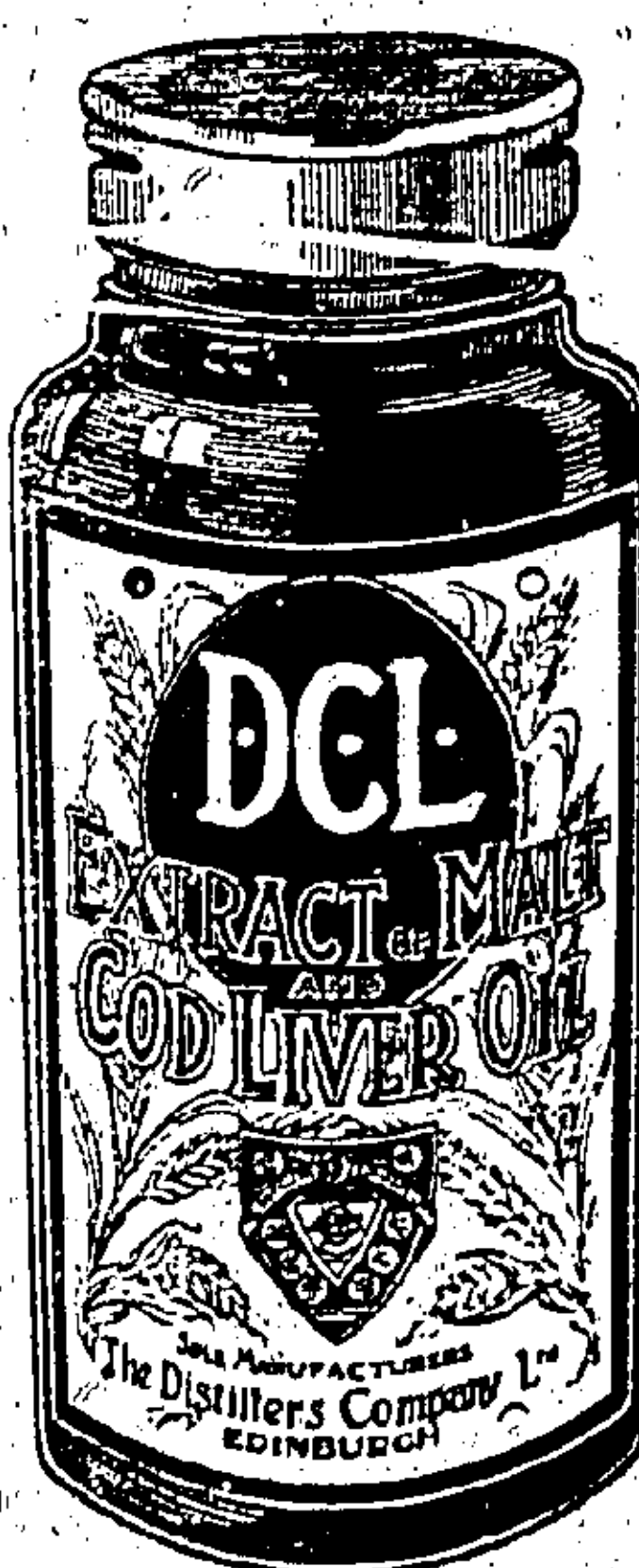
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## AN EQUITABLE MEASURE.

[BY AN ECONOMIST IN THE "DAILY CHRONICLE"]

There is a widespread feeling amongst business circles that proper provision is not being made to pay for the cost of the war, and there is also a belief that taxes upon income, in view of the enormous expenditure, cannot produce enough revenue to keep within safe limits the debt that is so steadily accumulating. The preaching of economy is excellent as a means for providing money for the nation, but it must not be forgotten that that only funds income by adding to debt which has to be heavily paid for and ultimately redeemed at twenty shillings in the pound. It saves the country from the German enemy, but plunges it into financial difficulties.

We must remember that when the peace comes the nation will have to begin a new and equally vital struggle. Its political existence will be secured, but its economic future will have to be fought for. When the same problem faced it at the close of the Napoleonic Wars the world of markets was a totally different thing from what it is now. We were burdened and crippled, but so were our rivals. International competition was in a state of somewhat primitive inefficiency. Even then we felt our burdens, especially when in competition with America. Now we shall have to face a competition of the fiercest and most efficiently organized kind. America is accumulating capital at our expense, and in spite of all that is now being said and designed about crushing Germany economically as well as politically, we know enough about that country not to regard her too cheaply, and we have experienced so much of the elusive nature of economic policies and their consequences as to make us very cautious about taking needless risks.

It is in any event, we can lay down as an incontrovertible proposition that the country which starts on the new economic struggle with the least burden of debt and with the greatest portion of its income available for productive uses and free from dead charges, has the opening of the battle in its favor. Moreover, from the point of view of internal recuperation, cheap money will be essential.

Much more can yet be done by way of taxes upon incomes, and the coming Budget will deal with that. But income tax, when it goes much beyond its present level, becomes unjustly oppressive to large sections of the lower strata of the professional and what may be called the more intellectual classes, with incomes of between £500 and £1,000. Still, they must bear with their ills. War profits ought to be taxed on a sliding scale, and everything over, say, a 10 per cent. increase on normal profits taken. It is obvious that anyone should make profits out of a war which is carried on by the death and ruin of millions. But when all this is done, the margin of cost to the covered by borrowing will still remain far too wide.

We are spending roughly on the war £1,800,000,000 per annum, and a complete year's yield of existing taxation was estimated by Mr. McKenna to produce about £380,000,000—probably an underestimate. If that were doubled, the amount would still be unsatisfactory, but doubling is impossible if we draw from income alone.

When the Military Service Act was being discussed, intermittent growls were heard from certain quarters that there should be a twin proposal to conscript wealth. It was taken to be a threat, a mere act of revenge, and in consequence little has been heard of it. But would not the Chancellor be wise if he did it? It would be perfectly fair. It would fall equitably on everyone. It could be managed so as to cause very little inconvenience. It would place at the disposal of the State such a large amount of property as would enable it to rid itself of a substantial part of its war debts.

First of all what would a reasonable conscription yield? The annual report of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue affords some basis for calculation, because there we have a table showing the number and value of estates grouped into sections according to their amounts which are subject from year to year to estate duty owing to the death of their owners. Assuming that these estates are one-third of the whole, we can make our provisional calculation:

Value of Estates	Estimated No. of Estates	Yield to Exchequer
1,000-5,000	1,235,000	1,850,000
5,000-10,000	80,000	1,200,000
10,000-20,000	10,000	200,000
20,000-50,000	1,000	50,000
50,000-100,000	100	10,000
100,000 and upwards	10	200,000
Total yield		£3,350,000

\*Suggested percentage.

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## THE EVACUATION OF GALLIOLI.

GENERAL MONRO'S DISPATCH: REASONS FOR ABANDONMENT.

LONDON, April 10.

General Monro's dispatch concerning the evacuation of Gallipoli has been published. In this the General states that he was instructed on October 26th to report as to the military situation at the Dardanelles and to advise as to whether the army should evacuate, or persevere. He was also asked to advise as to the number of troops required to carry the Peninsula and to take Constantinople. He found that the position of the troops was unique in history, as it possessed every possible military defect. It was completely subjected to the Turkish artillery fire, and had no defence, while its communications were insecure and depending upon the weather. There were no means for conveying troops or deploying fresh troops for an offensive. Further, the Turks had full powers of observation and they had supplemented the natural advantages of the position by all the devices of field engineering.

General Monro found that the troops were suffering from various causes. There was the strain of the continuous exposure to shell fire from which it was impossible to withdraw them because every corner of the Peninsula was exposed to a hostile fire. The men were also much enervated by endemic summer diseases, and they were gravely under-affected owing to losses in the earlier battles. Also the makeshift mingling of foot and mounted men necessary for holding the front did not tend to efficiency. Other irrefutable arguments convinced General Monro that complete evacuation was the only course.

The Turks were able to hold Gallipoli with a small force and to prosecute their designs upon Egypt and Baghdad. Then, a British advance from the present positions was impossible, and an advance upon Constantinople was quite out of the question. In addition the troops could be more usefully employed elsewhere.

General Monro assumed supreme command of the Mediterranean armies and appointed General Birdwood to the command of the Dardanelles. He ordered the evacuation on December 8th, and General Birdwood proceeded with the work with the skill and promptitude which have characterized all he has undertaken. It had been previously decided that a feint attack, which the textbooks regarded as essential to cover an evacuation, would be worse than useless, as it would certainly arouse Turkish suspicions.

The despatch deals briefly with Anzac, and Suvla, and gives several fresh facts with regard to Cape Helles. It mentions that the evacuation was retarded by the loss of a large British warship, accidentally sunk by a French battleship. Everything depended upon the weather. When all was ready on the night of January 8th a storm unexpectedly worked up and washed the piers away. A submarine reported in the evening that, on quitting the straits the battleship "Prince George," with 2,000 men on board, while sailing towards Mudros, was torpedoed, but the torpedo did not explode. The expedition lost 500 animals at Cape Helles, but most of them were destroyed at the last moment. General Monro recognizes that the quantities of stores destroyed and abandoned were considerable, but the great aim was to save the men, guns, and ammunition, and he could not take risks. Thus the evacuation was completed. It demanded good luck and skilled organization, and these were forthcoming in a marked degree in the hour of need by General Birdwood and the corps commanders. The arrangements could not have been surpassed in skill, promptness, and courage.

The despatch mentions that as a result of rain and a blizzard on November 21st there were 200 deaths from exposure. Ten thousand sick men were among those who evacuated the Peninsula, and these came chiefly from Suvla.

At an early date General Monro will furnish his distinguished conduct list. The despatch covers the Serbian expedition to the withdrawal to Salonika. It shows that the 10th Division from Suvla was sent to support the French, and that when the French effort to link up with the Serbians failed, the withdrawal was ordered, in accordance with previous arrangements with the Allied Governments.

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